

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S2845–2892*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1471–1498, S. Res. 211, and S. Con. Res. 16.

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#### **Measures Reported:**

H.R. 540, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 770 Ayrault Road in Fairport, New York, as the “Louise and Bob Slaughter Post Office”.

H.R. 828, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 Route 111 in Smithtown, New York, as the “Congressman Bill Carney Post Office”.

H.R. 829, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1450 Montauk Highway in Mastic, New York, as the “Army Specialist Thomas J. Wilwerth Post Office Building”.

S. 347, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 40 Fulton Street in Middletown, New York, as the “Benjamin A. Gilman Post Office Building”.

S. 1196, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1715 Linnerud Drive in Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, as the “Fire Captain Cory Barr Post Office Building”.

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#### **Measures Passed:**

**National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 178, recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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#### **Appointments:**

**Congressional Budget Office:** The Chair made the following announcement: The President Pro Tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, pursuant to the provisions of Section 201(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, have appointed Dr. Phillip Swagel as Director of the

Congressional Budget Office, effective June 3, 2019, for the term expiring January 3, 2023. **Page S2892**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order declaring a national emergency to deal with the threat posed by the unrestricted acquisition or use in the United States of information and communications technology or services designed, developed, manufactured, or supplied by persons owned by, controlled by, or subject to the jurisdiction or direction of foreign adversaries; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–17)

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**Vitter Nomination—Agreement:** By 51 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 111), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Wendy Vitter, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, May 16, 2019.

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**Bulatao Nomination—Cloture:** By 90 yeas to 5 nays (Vote No. EX. 112), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Brian J. Bulatao, of Texas, to be an Under Secretary of State (Management).

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**Rosen Nomination—Cloture:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 52 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 113), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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**Vitter, Bulatao, and Rosen Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the votes on confirmation of the nominations of Wendy Vitter, to be United States District Judge for the

Eastern District of Louisiana, and Brian J. Bulatao, of Texas, to be an Under Secretary of State (Management), occur at 12 noon, on Thursday, May 16, 2019, and the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Jeffrey A. Rosen, of Virginia, to be Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice, occur at 1:45 p.m., on Thursday, May 16, 2019. **Page S2856**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 52 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 110), Kenneth Kiyul Lee, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—113) **Pages S2878–79**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:30 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 16, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2892.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: FOREST SERVICE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of Agriculture Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Vicki Christiansen, Chief, and John Rapp, Director for Strategic Planning, Budget and Accountability, both of the Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

### INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM UPDATE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a closed hearing to exam-

ine an intelligence program update and global threat assessment, after receiving testimony from Susan M. Gordon, Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence; Gina C. Haspel, Director, Central Intelligence Agency; and General Paul M. Nakasone, Director, National Security Agency and Commander, Cyber Command, Department of Defense.

### APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of the Treasury, after receiving testimony from Steven T. Mnuchin, Secretary, and Charles P. Rettig, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, both of the Department of the Treasury.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported 920 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

### FINANCIAL REGULATORS OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine financial regulators, after receiving testimony from Joseph M. Otting, Comptroller of the Currency; Randal K. Quarles, Vice Chair for Supervision, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Jelena McWilliams, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and Rodney E. Hood, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 737, to direct the National Science Foundation to support STEM education research focused on early childhood;

S. 1228, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to provide for enhanced penalties for pirate radio;

S. 1289, to require the Secretary of Commerce to conduct an assessment and analysis of the effects of broadband deployment and adoption on the economy of the United States;

S. 1294, to require Federal agencies with jurisdiction over broadband deployment to enter into an interagency agreement related to certain types of funding for broadband deployment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 1439, to reauthorize activities of the Maritime Administration, with amendments.